

New Y-Teen Group for 8th Graders

A newly organized Y-Teen group meets Monday afternoons at 3:45 in First Lutheran Church parish hall with Mrs. Donald Hitchcock as advisor.

Officers elected to serve the new group include: Yolanda Goldsmith, president; Sally Speck, vice president; Connie Walton, secretary; Ann Steinbaugh, treasurer; and Patricia Merritt, chaplain.

Other members are Sally Moore, Joan Stewart, Irene DeLa Cruz, and Carole and Marie Weinman.

Founders Program Arranged

The Perry School PTA meeting to be held at 1:30 today at the school will feature a Founders Day program dedicated to the memory of the PTA founders. Past presidents will be honored guests and the program will feature a skit, "School of Long Ago," presented by eighth grade pupils. A full attendance is requested by Mrs. W. A. Wright, president.

CONVALESCENT

Mr. W. J. Dymond is making a satisfactory recovery following major surgery which he underwent at Torrance Memorial Hospital.

VALLELY SELECTED BOOKS STRESS 'FRIENDLINESS'

Fascinating first-hand information, gleaned during her annual trip to Washington and New York was reviewed by Loretta Baker Valley, international commentator and reviewer of current books when she appeared as guest speaker Friday afternoon in Torrance Woman's Club.

Choosing as her theme the necessity for creating wells of friendliness among those nations not openly under Russian domination, Mrs. Valley declared:

"We can't win without friends, and we can't have a friend unless we are friendly. We don't win those friends by distrusting them. That is exactly what Russia wants. By our example and by our moral decisions, we will win the much-needed friendships

of the free world." "If a little country like Czechoslovakia keeps glowing its spark of hope in the power of freedom, and from authentic information I believe they do, we surely can hold bright our confidence and in turn inspire confidence and friendliness among our allies."

"Among books recommended by Mrs. Valley are: Tito and Goliath, Hamilton Fish Armstrong; East Wind Over Prague, Jan Stransky; Europe Between the Acts, R. G. Waldeck; Rommel, Desmond Young; The Hell Bomb, William L. Laurence; The Scholar Adventurers, Richard D. Altick; The Young Shelley, Kenneth Neil Cameron.

The Bewitched Parsonage, W. S. Braithwaite; H. G. Wells, Antonia Valentin; The Far Side of Paradise, Arthur Mizener; Disturber of the Peace, William Manchester; Nightrunners of Bengal, John Masters; "Cry Above the Winds, J. B. Bartlett; Foxfire, Anya Seton; The Loved and Loved, Edna Bagnold; The Balance Wheel, Taylor Caldwell.

Concluding the afternoon, tea was served at a Valentine table at which Mesdames A. H. Siligo and D. J. Thomsen poured.

Soroptimists

A variety of matters was discussed at the luncheon meeting held Wednesday afternoon by the Harbor District Soroptimist Club. Miss Edna Whitlow, president, directed the meeting at the San Pedro YWCA, 437 W. 9th street. Guest speaker was Mrs. Julia Lucock, member of the Los Angeles Board of Education, who teaches Americanization classes in harbor area schools.

An interesting letter was read from Miss Edith Penny, character member of the club, who now is in the U. S. Government's service in its Federal Security Agency in Puerto Rico. Miss Penny was transferred to Puerto Rico several months ago, from the Long Beach office.

Club members were saddened to learn of the death of Lewis Gilbert, brother of Mrs. Alta Collins, a club member, and postmaster at Harbor City. Mr. Gilbert, who resided in Lomita, was killed in an automobile mishap February 5.

The Soroptimists voted to join the United Nations as a club. Previously, members belonged to the UN group individually.

An invitation was extended to the club to attend the YWCA dinner meeting scheduled for February 27, at which time Mrs. Bartlett Heard, vice-president and visiting expert on women's affairs under the U. S. High Commission for Germany, will be guest speaker.

On February 28 Mrs. Marion Young will entertain the club at a monthly dinner meeting. Additional details will be announced.

The Australian phalanger is the only known animal with green fur.

HALLDALE AWARDS LIFE MEMBERSHIP, PLANS TEA

Complimenting Halldale Avenue School room mothers, members of the executive board will entertain at a Valentine tea this afternoon beginning at 1 o'clock. Setting for the annual affair is to be parish house of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1432 Engracia avenue.

Mrs. E. M. Bernardin, president, was recipient of the life membership pin at last Thursday afternoon's Founder's Day meeting. The principal, Mrs. Amanda Bonwell, commended Mrs. Bernardin for her outstanding leadership during the past two years as she made the presentation.

Mrs. James Don Wolf, president of Lomita San Pedro Council, Mt. Ruiz, president of Narbonne PTA, H. T. Scaman, past president of Halldale PTA, E. G. Spratt and V. W. Weise, honored guests at the meeting, were introduced by Mrs. Bernardin and presented with camellia corsages.

Mrs. John Wright, Founder's Day chairman, presented an interesting program featuring 16 students in a skit honoring the birthday of PTA, with Mrs. John Blackmon acting as narrator.

The president adjourned the meeting with reminders of the rag drive to be held next Monday at the school and the enrollment for the Halldale PTA-sponsored First Aid class.

Refreshments were served by the room mothers from Mrs. Bernice Christensen's and Mrs. Mary Quinn's rooms.

REPRESENT HALLDALE

Mrs. E. M. Bernardin, president of Halldale PTA, and Mrs. J. D. Edens, health chairman, were present at the Community Health Day program yesterday at the Biltmore Hotel, held in conjunction with Health Promotion Week.

Highest point in the Western hemisphere is Mt. Aconcagua in Argentina, 22,834 feet above sea level.

Mothers Of Scouts Meet 19th

Scout Mothers of Troop 241, sponsored by St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, will meet at 7:30 Monday evening, February 19, at the home of Mrs. William Diesel, 1608 Post avenue.

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Arriving at the Baldwin home, 2815 Martha avenue, the group presented her with a starter set of her favorite chinaware and, following games and prizes, served refreshments.

Included were the honoree and her mother, Mrs. A. G. Bray, Torrance; Mrs. William Tarbet and Miss Joy Tarbet, Gardena; Mrs. Dorothy Paquin, Harbor City; Mrs. Lois Randall, and Mrs. Eleanor Wallace, Inglewood; Misses Hilda Wilson, Alice Materna, Muriel Whiting, Ruth Axthelm, Bea Bundy, Joyce Gardner, and the Misses Mae Sleep and Ann Chmelyneki.

CCPT Life Membership Explained

The California Congress of Parents and Teachers realized the great need of worthy young people to continue their studies beyond high school level, who for lack of funds could not do so. The honorary Life membership plan was set up to help these students, and in 1927 the CCPT adopted this as a state project, presenting Governor C. C. Young with the first life membership.

Through the efforts of an enterprising chairman, PTA Associations use this means to express appreciation to their president, school principal, teachers, or outstanding child welfare workers of the community.

Each Honorary Life membership costs \$25.00 and the proceeds go into a revolving student loan fund, to be loaned to students above high school level, without interest, to be repaid by them after their graduation or when their earning power has been established, usually in about three or four years.

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Mothers of Scout Group At Meeting

When Girl Scout Mothers of Troop 913 held a monthly meeting recently at the home of Mrs. Fred Andrews, plans were outlined for the annual cookie sale.

Mrs. Ruth Kall will serve temporarily as assistant leader.

Notices of next meeting time and place will be mailed to mothers, who are urged to attend and assist the Girl Scout program, according to Mrs. M. McNeese, publicity chairman.

Jon Crain sings the role of Count Almaviva in touring company of BARBER of SEVILLE coming to Philharmonic Auditorium on February 21. Only national opera company to appear in Southern California this season, English text is used.

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